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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:

Lewis and Royea

Art Unit: 2

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Application No.:

09/905,157

Examiner:

E. J. Kielin

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ELECTRICAL PASSIVATION OF SILICON-CONTAINING SURFACES

USING ORGANIC LAYERS

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TRANSMITTAL SHEET

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for the above-identified application please find:

- 1. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal (1 page);
- 2. Preliminary Amendment (14 pages);
- 3. Copy of Declaration of Applicant Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 (including Exhibit A) (3 pages);
- 4. Petition for Three (3) Months Extension of Time (2 pages);
- 5. Check No. 543736 in the amount of \$840.00; and
- 6. Return Receipt Postcard.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8

I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail on this date, September 4, 2003, in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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This application is entitled to small entity status.

Enclosed is Check No. 543736 in the total amount of \$840.00; which consists of \$375.00 for the fee for the Request for Continued Examination and \$465.00 for the fee for Three (3) Months extension of time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees associated with the filing submitted herewith, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-1355. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: September 4, 2003

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

In connection with the Request for Continued Examination filed herewith, responsive to the Advisory Action mailed August 15, 2003, and further responsive to the final Office Action mailed March 4, 2003, entry of the amendments and reconsideration of the application are respectfully requested.

It is noted that Applicants' Amendment mailed August 1, 2003, in response to the final Office Action mailed March 4, 2003, was not entered.

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